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TO : Registrar/TR

DATE: 29 October 1959

FROM : Chief, Standards Branch

SUBJECT: Comments on Office of Personnel Memorandum dated 21 October 1959

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1. Following are my reactions to memorandum of 21 October 1959 from [REDACTED] suggesting expansion of Regulation [REDACTED] in various ways. 25X1A

2. I fail to see why it is "essential" that Regulation [REDACTED] include a definition of Agency-sponsored training. In my opinion, this would be somewhat of a case of expounding the obvious. In any event, the definition he suggested excludes on-the-job training which, to my way of thinking, is as much Agency sponsored as is off-the-job training. 25X1A

3. With reference to the signing of agreements by employees going into external training, you will recall that we went pretty thoroughly into this question sometime ago and concluded, with the blessing of the OGC, it would be best not to try and cover the technicalities of this subject in Regulation [REDACTED]. We look upon this and other exceptions granted CIA by Executive Order as permissive, rather than mandatory, and it is our intention to secure written agreements to continue in Agency service for specified periods in cases where the circumstances seem to dictate such a step. This device is viewed as a feature of our regular external training processing procedures, to be used discriminately, just as we now employ the Qualification Review Panel facility. 25X1A9a

4. As you have indicated, our latest version of Regulation [REDACTED] will take care of part of [REDACTED] concern about outside awards and contributions. I do not follow him, however, in his contention that covering awards and contributions in Regulation [REDACTED] even if we go into lengthy technical detail, would eliminate the need for Regulation [REDACTED]. It is my understanding that Regulation [REDACTED] is basically a travel regulation and encompasses matters beyond external training. 25X1A9a

5. I recommend that you give [REDACTED] a phone call and review with him our position on the points raised in his memorandum. 25X1A9a

Attachment:

OP Memo dated 21 Oct. 59

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